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## SHARE THE UPSIDE TOPS COMPETITIVE EDITION OF \$125,000 ARISTIDES

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, May 27, 2019) – Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings and Windsor Boys Racing's Hot Springs Stakes runner-up Share the Upside tops a competitive field for the 31st-running of Saturday's \$125,000 Aristides Stakes (Listed) at Churchill Downs.

The six-furlong Aristides, named after the first Kentucky Derby winner in 1875, is the second of two stakes events on Saturday's 11-race Downs After Dark Presented by Budweiser program. The first race is 6 p.m. (all times Eastern). The Aristides goes as Race 10 at approximately 10:42 p.m. and the fourth running of the \$120,000-added Mighty Beau Overnight Stakes, a five-furlong turf sprint, is Race 9 at approximately 10:11 p.m.

Trained by Hall of Fame conditioner **Steve Asmussen**, Share the Upside (9-4-3-1—\$242,672) finished 1 ½ lengths behind multiple Grade I winner **Whitmore** in the March 9 Hot Springs Stakes. The 4-year-old gelding enters the Aristides off a 1 ½-length victory in a conditioned allowance race at Oaklawn on April 20.

Share the Upside will be ridden by Ricardo Santana Jr. and break from post No. 3.

The runner-up finisher in the aforementioned April 20 allowance contest at Oaklawn was **Wilbo**, who will hope to turn the tables on Share the Upside in the Aristides. Owned by **Chris Wilkins**, Wilbo (33-10-6-8—\$670,030) finished third in last year's Aristides to **Chief Cicatriz** and second in the 2017 Aristides behind multiple Grade I winner **Limousine Liberal**.

Wilbo will have the riding services of **Corey Lanerie** and break from post 6.

The complete Aristides field from the rail out (with jockeys and trainers): **Mr. Crow** (Tyler Gaffalione, Ben Colebrook); **Control Stake** (Miguel Mena, Greg Foley); Share the Upside (Santana, Asmussen); **Zipp On By** (Edgar Morales, Rey Hernandez); **Petrov** (Jack Gilligan, Ron Moquett); Wilbo (Lanerie, Hartman); and **Kowboy Karma** (Gabriel Saez, Larry Jones).

All horses will tote 120 pounds with the exception of Kowboy Karma, who will carry 122 lbs.

Churchill Downs admission gates will open Saturday at 5 p.m. General Admission is \$12, reserved seating is \$27 and reserved dining packages are \$69. Tickets can be purchased in advance online at ChurchillDowns.com/Tickets.

The theme for Saturday night's Downs After Dark is a celebration of Woodstock's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with **"Peace, Love & Horse Racing"** and guests are encouraged to wear tie-dye. Entertainment will feature Chicago-based jam band **Mr. Blotto** with original and classic 60s tunes, local **DJ Matt Anthony**, a retro fashion contest and more.

Churchill Downs will have a four-day week of racing (with first race post time, number of races): Thursday (5 p.m., 8 races), Friday (12:45 p.m., 9 races), Saturday (6 p.m., 11 races) and Sunday (12:45 p.m., 10 races).

The Twilight Thursday presented by Blue Moon abbreviated eight-race program is highlighted by \$1 canned domestic beers, \$3 Blue Moon drafts, food trucks, live music on the Plaza stages by band **Justin Paul Lewis**.

## MUTLIPLE STAKES-WINNING MARE MORTICIA TAKES ON BOYS IN MIGHTY BEAU

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Monday, May 27, 2019) – G. Watts Humphrey Jr.**'s multiple stakes-winning homebred **Morticia** is set to take on the boys in Saturday's fourth running of the \$120,000-added Mighty Beau Overnight Stakes at Churchill Downs.

The Mighty Beau, carded as Race 9 at approximately 10:11 p.m. (all times Eastern), is the first of two stakes events on Churchill Downs' Downs After Dark Presented by Budweiser 11-race program. The card also features the 31st running of the \$125,000 Aristides in Race 10 with a post time of 10:42 p.m. First race is 6 p.m.

Trained by **Rusty Arnold**, Morticia was narrowly defeated by **A Little Bit Me** in the \$125,000 Unbridled Sidney on May 2 prior to entering the Mighty Beau. The 5-year-old Twirling Candy mare sports a stout record of 21-8-6-4 with earnings of \$617,325.

Morticia, who has only finished worse than fourth once in her career, will be ridden by **Stewart Elliott** from post No. 6.

Chief among the competition to Morticia in the Mighty Beau is **Autumn Hill Farms Racing Stables**' Churchill Downs Stakes (GI) runner-up **Bobby's Wicked One**, who will try the turf for the first time in his 12-race career for trainer **Al Stall Jr**. Bobby's Wicked One (11-4-4-1—\$412,080), who will be ridden by **Miguel Mena** out of post 10, has three victories in 2019 including a 1 ½-length score in the Commonwealth Stakes (GIII) at Keeneland.

Another top competitor in the Mighty Beau is **DAARS, Inc.**'s Jacques Cartier Stakes (GIII) runner-up **Extravagant Kid**. Trained by **Brendan Walsh**, Extravagant Kid (33-9-9-6—\$496,367) has not finished off the board since June 18, 2018 with a fifth-place effort in the Karl Boyes Memorial Stakes at Presque Isle Downs. Since that race, Extravagant Kid was victorious in the Aug. 31 Lucky Coin Stakes at Saratoga and the March 31 Zaxby's Sprint Stakes at Tampa Bay Downs.

**Tyler Gaffalione** has the call on Extravagant Kid who drew post 5.

The Mighty Beau from the rail out (with jockey and trainer): Elusive Mischief (Chris Landeros, Ian Wilkes); Angaston (Brian Hernandez Jr., Lon Wiggins); Will Call (Shaun Bridgmohan, Brad Cox); Om (David Cohen, Peter Miller); Extravagant Kid (Gaffalione, Walsh); Morticia (Elliott, Arnold); Texas Wedge (Florent Geroux, Miller); Jazzy Times (Gabriel Saez, Wes Hawley); Smart Remark (Corey Lanerie, Victoria Oliver); and Bobby's Wicked One (Mena, Stall).

The race is named in honor of Oklahoma-bred **Mighty Beau**, who boasted a record of 75-12-19-10—\$646,000 from 2001-08 and made a record five starts in the Twin Spires Turf Sprint (then known as the Aegon Turf Sprint) from 2002-06.